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WAY TO PRESIDENT

Democratic Committee Not  
Interested Now That  
Campaign Is Over

No matter what President Wilson and his advisers may decide to do about payment of the bills for the advertising campaign that returned the President to the White House, the question of ethics involved has been put up to the American Newspaper Publishers' Association for investigation.

The chief excuse thus far advanced by the Democratic National Committee for its dilatory tactics in meeting the remaining \$158,000 due to the advertising firm of Hanft-Metger has been that the company's bill is disputed.

Having failed to obtain anything approaching an arrangement that might lead to a settlement, the advertising company has called upon the publishers' body to decide whether there are any grounds for charges made by representatives of the committee that its interests were not properly safeguarded.

Just how the investigation will be made is not yet known, since such a hearing is not a common one. Neither was it known yesterday whether Vance McCormick, chairman of the National Committee, would produce the papers and other documents in the hands of the committee necessary to show why the bills for campaign expenses were being disputed and were as yet unpaid.

Although every effort has been made to put the question squarely before President Wilson, it has reached him thus far only in an indirect manner. Representatives of the Hanft-Metger company believe that if the facts reach him he will be compelled to take some attitude on it. As yet he has made no statement except such as has come from the pen of Secretary Tumulty.

Such information as was at hand yesterday indicated that the attitude of President Wilson on the matter of unpaid bills was identical with that of his New York associates—one of evasion of the issue or complete lack of interest.

When Henry Morgenthau, head of

the finance committee of the National Committee during the Presidential campaign, was asked about the bill he insisted that the Hanft-Metger company was endeavoring to blackmail the committee into paying the bill by discussing the possibility of the facts reaching the newspapers. He added, however, that there would be no undue haste in meeting the payment because of this.

Following this announcement on the part of Mr. Morgenthau, a representative of the company went to Washington to learn whether this was the attitude of the President. He was only partly successful in this mission.

At that time Secretary Tumulty aroused some hope for the emissary of Hanft-Metger by showing an interest in the case, indicating that he wanted to see justice done. He inquired after papers that would support the statements made and suggested that an audience with President Wilson be requested.

But days passed and no word from Washington was received. Letter after letter had been forwarded to members of the Democratic National Committee, and up to yesterday all but one had been ignored. That exception was one announcing that everybody in authority to pass upon the matter was out of the city.

On January 16 it was decided to make another effort to learn what the President's attitude might be. This telegram was despatched to Secretary Tumulty:

"Will you kindly advise us if the papers you requested we should leave with you to show to the President were taken up with him, also if the engagement you advised us to ask for has been made for us to see the President? Hanft-Metger, Incorporated?"

Ten days passed before any answer arrived from Washington. When one finally was forthcoming it indicated a change of viewpoint on the part of the secretary. Whether this change was the result of an interview with President Wilson is not known.

His answer, which ignored the first question in the telegram, was as follows: "My Dear Sirs: Referring to your telegram of the 16th of January, I beg to say that owing to the many demands upon the President at this time and the crowded condition of his calendar it has been impossible for me to make the engagement you desire."

The note, written on White House stationery, bore the signature of Secretary Tumulty. Meanwhile nobody connected with Mr. Morgenthau's committee or the Democratic National Committee appeared to display any interest in a possible settlement of the bill. When

the obligation was repeatedly thrust under the eyes of officers of the committee Thomas L. Chadbourne, its attorney, made numerous offers of settlement for sums far below the amount of the bill. A payment of \$20,000 on the original bill of \$178,000 finally was made under an agreement that this would not prejudice the claims of the committee that it should have had regular commercial rates for its advertising.

Since the committee headed by Mr. Morgenthau continued to insist that its interests had not been protected by the advertising corporation, Joseph A. Hanft, its president, finally decided to call upon the American Newspaper Publishers' Association to decide the merits of these charges. He asked that they either be substantiated by the Democratic leaders or that his firm be vindicated.

In a letter to L. C. Palmer, an officer of the association, he said: "The Democratic National Committee owes us approximately \$158,000. They refuse payment excepting on their own terms. We will not make any other settlement excepting at the rates billed by the newspapers.

"Statements which do us grave injustice, purporting to have been made by Henry Morgenthau and Thomas L. Chadbourne, of the committee, have been given to and published by the press.

"We consequently demand that the entire matter be fully and carefully investigated by your organization. We are cognizant of the fact that if we are found remiss in our duty or careless of our honor in the conduct of this business, our recognition as authorized advertising agents will be forfeited.

"On the other hand, if the Democratic National Committee is found to be less mindful of its obligations than other advertisers, we ask your organization to take such action as will safeguard the advertising business from a recurrence of a condition which has caused us great distress.

"It is needless to say that our books are open to you, and the record of each transaction is at your command." Incidentally, Mr. Hanft said that one reason for asking for the investigation was to permit the facts to become known, that persons having future dealings with the Democratic campaign organization might be prepared for such contingencies and avoid probable loss or expensive litigation.

Vance McCormick, chairman of the committee, was at his home in Harrisburg, Penn., yesterday and could not be reached by inquiries concerning his attitude toward the unpaid bill. Mr. Morgenthau announced that he would not discuss the affair at all.

JOSEF HOFMANN  
AND CASALS GIVE  
RIVAL RECITALS

Two Great Artists, Heard at the  
Same Time, Show Plethora  
of Musical Affairs

The plethora of musical events this season in New York was evidenced yesterday, when two of the world's greatest artists were giving recitals at the same time in the two chief concert halls. Both artists had audiences of splendid size, and one of them, Mr. Hofmann, overflowed onto the stage to the number of four hundred extra seats.

Mr. Hofmann was appearing in recital for the first time this season and Mr. Casals, at Aeolian, was sharing the programme with his wife, Susan Metcalfe-Casals, assisted by Ruth Deyo.

Josef Hofmann stands to-day with very few peers and perhaps no superiors among concert pianists, and his performance yesterday was well up to his usual mark. There could be nothing that Mr. Hofmann would do that would not be interesting, but the feeling arrived none the less that his reading of the Chopin B minor sonata was a trifle hard and unsympathetic.

His playing of the C sharp minor Prelude, however, and especially of the Valse, Op. 64, No. 3, in A flat major, was exquisite in style, beautifully articulated, informed with a crystal clarity. The Schumann Symphonie Etude, Mr. Hofmann gave with splendid brilliancy. Here and in the Bach D'Albert Prelude and Fugue he was most perfectly at home in style and in emotional expression. It was a playing of the very highest order.

In his last group he had two numbers by the mysterious "Dvorsky," "East and West" and "The Sanctuary." The former possessed some charm and flavor.

An interesting number of Mr. Casals' programme was Charles Martin Loeffler's "Noeme Espagnol," which the great cellist played with Miss Deyo. It was too long, but it possessed a variety of color and some sense of rhythm. The influence of Debussy was marked, though it did not dominate the composition. Mrs. Casals was in excellent voice and her husband furnished her with most beautiful accompaniments.

EDGE INSPECTS  
JERSEY PRISON

After Seeing "Hell-Hole"  
Says Contract Labor  
Must Go

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 27.—After inspecting the state prison at Trenton today from hell-hole to dungeon, Governor Walter E. Edge authorized the announcement that the contract labor system must go.

Warden Richard P. Hughes led the gubernatorial party through the institution, in which 500 prisoners are employed. It was Warden Hughes who flung open the door of mat shop No. 6 with the introduction:

"This is called the 'hell-hole.' Mats are made there under contract on antiquated looms that compel the artisans to labor with hands and feet. The Governor picked his way carefully among the machines, examining the place with car and questioning some of the prisoners.

"This place reeks of tuberculosis," he said. "It's a perfect hotbed for the plague. And those machines—I firmly believe I saw those looms in operation when I went through the prison as a boy."

Subterranean dungeons, in which men were chained by the wrist in such fashion that they could not assume an upright posture, were inspected. Governor Edge talked with the dismal prisoners, and later got the other side of the story from the warden. A negro prisoner assured him that it wasn't nearly so bad as the hell-hole.

Warden Hughes told the Governor that men who had spent any time in the prison would take a term in a dungeon any day in preference to being set to work in No. 6. As a severe punishment, therefore, he said, prisoners were sent to the mat shop rather than to the dungeons.

The bath house was found in immaculate condition. It is in immaculate condition for eight months of the year, for during the fall and winter it is not in use. The prison physician, Warden Hughes said, had advised him

to put it out of commission during the cold weather.

The sixteen women in the women's prison were interviewed. The Governor declared that it was a waste of money to confine women in the state prison at Trenton when a women's reformatory was being maintained at Clinton.

MRS. BYRNE FED  
TWICE BY TUBE

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clared that he was being prevented from seeing the patient because she was too ill, but the Commissioner replied that the bulletins showed she was in no danger.

Mrs. Sanger's own trial for conducting the birth control clinic comes up on Monday in Brooklyn, and Mr. Goldstein said she would go on hunger strike, too, if the same attitude was taken toward her by the courts.

Doctors See No Peril  
in Forcible Feeding

Physicians and specialists yesterday sharply disagreed with Mrs. Sanger's assertion that forcible feeding administered to break Mrs. Ethel Byrne's hunger strike resulted in permanent injury to the digestive system.

Dr. William Mabon, superintendent of the insane hospital on Ward's Island, where forcible feeding is necessary more frequently than at any other institution in or near New York, declared that the process was not at all injurious.

"We have kept patients alive here for a year or more by introducing food into their stomachs by a tube forced through the nose," he said. "Such a long continued period of forcible feeding is, of course, not common, but frequently we are compelled to sustain patients for two or three months by this method of nourishment."

"So far as we have been able to observe, the process has no disastrous effects. Of course, it is considerably less healthful than nourishment taken in the proper way. But it is much better than allowing a patient to continue for any considerable length of time without any food whatever."

"Forcible feeding could be carried on for a period of thirty days, I presume, with probably no permanent evil effects whatever."

Dr. Mabon's statement found support by one of the chief physicians at Bellevue Hospital. While forcible feeding

at Bellevue is much less common than at Ward's Island, it does become necessary from time to time. In such cases, the physician stated, no permanently bad effects have been served.

A Brooklyn stomach specialist of wide repute told The Tribune that the chief danger in such a method of feeding lay in the strain on the heart and nerves which is coincident with forcing the tube into the patient's stomach.

20 HURT; \$2,500,000 LOST  
IN FIRE IN PITTSBURGH

Flames Sweep Retail Business District for Thirteen Hours

Pittsburgh, Jan. 27.—Fire that raged for thirteen hours in the retail business district of this city to-day destroyed more than a dozen buildings, did \$2,500,000 damage and resulted in the injury of twenty firemen. Among the buildings destroyed were the Grand Opera House, the Frank & Seder department store, the Hilton Clothing Company store and the Harris Theatre.

The heavy fire walls of the Grand Opera House alone saved the entire square from destruction. The blaze started in the McCrory five and ten cent store shortly after midnight. By 4 o'clock it had got beyond control, and a general alarm was turned in. The intense cold handicapped the firemen seriously.

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